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response to the Office action of July 27, applicant hereby elects Species A, Fig. 1, claims 1 - 8 and 11 -18.

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